NOTEWORTHY COLLECTION

CALIFORNIA

Carex Nardina Fries (CYPERACEAE).—Siskiyou Co., Klamath National Forest, Marble Mountain Wilderness, slopes of Black Marble Mountain, 41.57836°, -123.20355° (NAD 83), 2110 m/6905 ft., 13 August 2011, York 3059 (HSC, OSU). A rare, clumped perennial with a single spikelet growing on limestone shelves on a large, north-facing outcrop with Achillea millefolium, Angelica arguta, Arnica sp., Campanula rotundifolia, Cystopteris fragilis, Oxyria digyna, Polystichum lonchitis, and Saxifragiopsis fragarioides.

Siskiyou Co., Klamath National Forest, Marble Mountain Wilderness, slopes of Kings Castle, approx. 5 km north of other known population (*York 3059*) for CA., 41.61475°, -123.22112° (NAD 83), 2175 m/7150 ft., 8 September 2011, *York 3087* (HSC, JEPS, OSU). A rare, clumped perennial with a single spikelet growing on limestone shelves on a large, northeast-facing outcrop with *Achillea millefolium*, *Angelica arguta*, *Arnica mollis*, *Campanula rotundifolia*, *Cystopteris fragilis*, *Pellaea breweri*, *Polemonium pulcherrimum*, and *Polystichum lonchitis*.

Previous knowledge. Carex nardina is a circumpolar species occurring throughout the northern portion of North America into Eurasia. According to Murray (2002), there has been much written about the variation in *C. nardina* with little resolution. Some authors have considered some or all the North American material to

be *C. n.* subsp. *hepburnii* (Boott) Á. Löve, D. Löve & B. M. Kapoor or *C. hepburnii* Boott, but no clear geographic limits occur. Wilson et al. (2008) recognize *C. nardina* as occurring mostly in the northeastern portion of Oregon. The single known southern Oregon population, representing *York 2881* (OSU) from Mount Thielsen, 8 August 2005, is the closest known occurrence to the Marble Mountain Wilderness collection. It is nearly 190 air-kilometers away. There are no known populations of *C. nardina* in the bordering states of Nevada and Arizona.

Significance. This is the first documented collection from California.

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